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SUMMARY. DURING NOVEMBER 20 MEETING, EWG REPS SUPPORTED, ON
PRELIMINARY BASIS, US POSITION ON SCOPE OF AD-70 SPRING REPORT
(75), BUT DELAYED FINAL DETERMINATION OF REPORT
COVERAGE UNTIL EARLY JANUARY SO EWG MEMBERS CAN ASSESS
RESULTS OF DECEMBER MINISTERIAL AND STUDY GENERAL CHAPTER OF
THE DEFENSE PLANNING REVIEW. END SUMMARY.

1. ACTING CHAIRMAN HUMPHREYS INTRODUCED NOV 20 EXECUTIVE
WORKING GROUP (EWG) DISCUSSION OF AD-70 SPRING REPORT (75)
BY ASKING REPS TO STRUCTURE A REPORT WHICH WOULD NOT REPEAT
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NOT DUPLICATE ONGOING EFFORTS IN OTHER NATO FORA. US REP
(DR LEGERE) SAID EWG SHOULD FOCUS SPRING REPORT (75) ON
THOSE PROGRAMS WHICH HAVE NOT DEVELOPED A SUSTAINING MOMENTUM
OF THEIR OWN IN OTHER NATO FORA OR WHICH CONTINUE TO PRESENT

SPECIAL DIFFICULTIES MINISTERS CAN HELP ALLEVIATE. DRAWING FROM REFS A AND B, US REP SUPPORTED OPTION 2 AMENDED TO INCLUDE STANDARDIZATION AND BASIC ISSUES. REGARDING STANDARDIZATION, HE SAID 1975 SPRING REPORT SHOULD COVER PROGRESS IN FOUR AREAS EMPHASIZED BY 1974 SPRING REPORT (AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING, ELECTRONIC WARFARE, F-104 REPLACEMENT, STANDARDIZED RIFLE/RIFLE AMMUNITION) AND OTHER RELATED AREAS AND SHOULD SOLICIT CONTINUING MINISTERIAL SUPPORT. US REP REMINDED EWG THAT DECEMBER 1973 BASIC ISSUES REPORT AND AD-70 SPRING REPORT (1974) PROMISED SEVERAL ACTIONS RELATED TO BASIC ISSUES WHICH ARE NOT COMPLETED AND CITED UK STUDY ON AIRCRAFT SHELTERS FOR UK, SHAPE TECHNICAL CENTER AIR DEFENSE STUDY, SHAPE REPORT ON MILITARY IMPLICATIONS OF WAR RESERVE SHORTFALLS AND SHAPE PUBLICATION OF NEW ATTRITION AND CONSUMPTION RATES AS EXAMPLES. FRG (BGEN SCHUNEMANN), CANADIAN (COL SHEFFIELD), NETHERLANDS (CARSTEN), DANISH (ROSENTHAL), AND NORWEGIAN (LEINE) REPS SUPPORTED US DESIRE FOR EXPANDED OPTION 2.

2. MC REP (GEN VON ZUR GATHEN) ASKED IF SECOND OPTION MEANT THAT EWG WOULD INCLUDE TOTAL REPORTS ON ISSUE AREAS WITHIN AD-70 SPRING REPORT OR THAT EWG WOULD ONLY HIGHLIGHT PORTIONS OF SEPARATE DETAILED REPORTS IN SPRING REPORT. HUMPHREYS HOPED THAT SECOND OPTION WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT REQUIRE SEPARATE REPORTS. US REP, SUPPORTED BY UK REP (LEGGE) SAID EWG SHOULD PROVIDE MINISTERS WITH SEPARATE REPORTS ON THOSE AREAS WHERE DETAILED

COVERAGE IS HELPFUL.

3. SHAPE REP (COL HOOTEN, US) SAID HE COULD SUPPORT SECOND OPTION BUT SUGGESTED IT WAS PREMATURE TO ASSUME GENERAL CHAPTER OF THE DEFENSE PLANNING REVIEW WOULD COVER FORCE CAPABILITIES IN SUFFICIENT DEPTH FOR THE EWG TO DELETE THEM FROM AD-70 SPRING REPORT. SACLANT (CAPT MAYO), ITALIAN (ADM MACCHIAVELLI) AND MC REPS AGREED; SACLANT REP SAID EWG SHOULD INCLUDE SECTION ON FORCE CAPABILITIES IN 1975 SPRING REPORT SIMILAR TO THAT IN 1974 REPORT. UK REP FIRMLY OPPOSED INCLUDING FORCE CAPABILITIES. US REP SAID SPRING REPORT CONFIDENTIAL

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SHOULD RELATE IMPACT OF SUPPORTING PROGRAM DEFICIENCIES TO OVERALL FORCE CAPABILITIES BUT SAID US, WHILE NOT SO FIRMLY OPPOSED AS UK, DID NOT SEE NEED FOR SEPARATE FORCE CAPABILITIES SECTION.

4. CHAIRMAN HUMPHREYS SAID EWG LACKED TWO IMPORTANT ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION NECESSARY TO FINALIZE DECISION ON SPRING REPORT COVERAGE: GENERAL CHAPTER OF THE DEFENSE PLANNING REVIEW (NOT YET RELEASED) AND DPC MINISTERS DECISIONS IN DECEMBER. HUMPHREYS RECOMMENDED EWG THEREFORE DELAY FINAL DECISION ON SPRING REPORT COVERAGE UNTIL EARLY JANUARY. MC, SHAPE, FRG, NETHERLANDS, SACLANT, AND CANADIAN REPS AGREED.

5. HUMPHREYS CLOSED DISCUSSION BY SAYING THAT EWG DECISION SHEET WOULD: A. NOTE EWG CONSENSUS FOR OPTION 2, B. NOTE STRONG SUPPORT FOR US PROPOSAL TO ADD STANDARDIZATION AND BASIC ISSUES TO SPRING REPORT, AND C. INDICATE THAT EWG WILL SUSPEND FINAL JUDGEMENT ON SPRING REPORT (75) COVERAGE UNTIL EARLY JANUARY. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION FROM TURKISH REP (TOPUR), HUMPHREYS SAID EWG HAD NOT REPEAT NOT PRECLUDED SPECIAL SECTION ON SOUTHERN FLANK IN SPRING REPORT.

6. UNDER ANY OTHER BUSINESS, SACLANT REP ASKED WHETHER EWG WOULD FURNISH BASIC ISSUES REPORT TO MINISTERS ON MODERN AIR DELIVERED MUNITIONS. HUMPHREYS SAID IS HAD COVERED THIS IN COUNTRY CHAPTERS, BUT SAID MNCS OR NATIONS COULD PRODUCE A SPECIAL REPORT IF THEY DESIRED. SACLANT REP SAID HE WOULD REPORT THIS TO SACLANT AND ADVISE EWG OF RESPONSE AT NEXT MEETING. MCAULIFFE

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